Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for one's fellow man; and,

Whereas, Martin Brokenleg was born in Wagner, South Dakota, on August 26, 1946, attended elementary schools at Rapid City, Sisseton, and Bonesteel, completed his secondary education at The Shattuck School at Faribault, Minnesota, received his Bachelor of Arts degree from South Dakota State University, Masters of Divinity from the Episcopal Divinity School at Cambridge, Massachusetts, and Doctorate in Education from the University of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, On June 29, 1971, Martin was ordained as a Deacon and on June 14, 1972, he was ordained as a priest in the Orthodox Church; and,

Whereas, Professor Martin Brokenleg joined the staff at Augustana College in 1974 as a therapist at the campus counseling center, taught courses for the religion, sociology, and gender studies departments, and developed and guided Augustana's Native Studies curriculum through campus and state approval; and,

Whereas, Professor Brokenleg has received regional, national, and international recognition as a teacher and author, and currently serves as Professor of Native American Studies at Augustana College, having taught more than 6,000 students during his 30-year career; and,

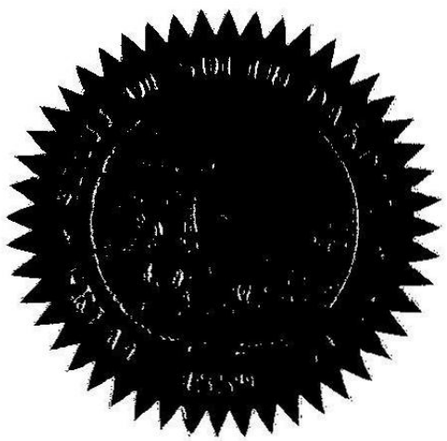
Whereas, On May 31, 2004, Dr. Brokenleg will retire, leaving as his legacy a generation of citizens and parishioners who are knowledgeable about culture and multicultural relationships and a myriad of youth workers trained to work with youth-at-risk and troubled youth; and,

Whereas, Dr. Brokenleg's colleagues at Augustana College have chosen April 26, 2004, to recognize and honor him and celebrate his distinguished career:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2004, as

DR. MARTIN BROKENLEG DAY

in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Nineteenth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State